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## Clay City Has Big Fire

At about ten o'clock Thursday night the flour mill whistle sounded the fire alarm and people collected only to find the second floor a mass of flame. The mill was still running then. The mill was behind with its orders and often ran at night in an effort to keep them filled. The fire soon spread to Kimbrell's shop adjoining on the east and to the Police Court station and city jail on the west, and next to Joe Mountz's garage. All of these buildings burned to the ground. But for the heroic efforts of the bucket brigade, the Clay City Garage would also have burned just across the street from Mountz's garage. For a time J. F. Smith's mill and shop was in great danger, and so was the Powell & Smith store. Strenuous efforts on the part of the bucket brigade also saved these buildings.

It would cost no less than \$15,000 to duplicate the mill; insurance \$3,500. A large quantity of meal, feed and flour went down with the building; insurance, \$1,500. Kimbrell's shop and equipment was insured for \$500. The loss is double that amount. The city buildings were not insured. The loss to Mountz's garage will reach \$1,000. No insurance. The Smith and Powell store sustained a loss by the use of goods from the store being placed on the building and kept wet to protect it. The loss to the Clay City Garage consisted of broken window lights from heat of the fires adjacent and the removal of stock from the building.

Too much praise cannot be extended to those persons who appeared so promptly on the scene and helped to save the articles from the burning buildings and the buildings themselves.

The flour mill will not be rebuilt. Mountz will rebuild his garage, and Kimbrell will rebuild his shop.

The origin of the great fire is not definitely known, but it is supposed flour dust ignited from the electric bleacher, which was located on the second floor. Mr. Jordan, the miller, had been on this floor a few minutes previously, and everything was functioning satisfactory at that time.

## Preaches at Union Church

The Rev. Garrison, of Wolfe county, preached Saturday and Sunday nights at the Union church.

## Our Thanks

We desire through the kindness of The Times to thank all who showed such untiring efforts in helping us save our supplies and accessories during the fire which destroyed our building. There was only a small amount of supplies overlooked, which we could have saved but we were so much interested in the saving of cars that belonged to others, that were stored.

When in need of help come to us, we are on the job.

Joe Mountz, dealer,  
Everett Fraley, mechanic.

## Sunday School Outing

J. P. Ringo and daughter, Miss Julia; Mrs. Emma Mountz and family; Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Holmes and family; Misses Lucy Daniel, Mabel Phillips, Golden Wright, Ethel White, Olga Tracy Ollie Alkman, Bernice Barnett and Everett Hurt, composed a Sunday School party from the Methodist church which motored to High Bridge Saturday. There they secured a boat and went to Boone cave. All report a most enjoyable day with but the slightest trouble with their cars.

## Attends Dealers' Meeting

Joe Mountz was the guest of the Ford Motor Company of Cincinnati, May 29, at a dealers' meeting of the Cincinnati branch. Over 200 members were present, with luncheon at the Gibson Hotel, after which Mr. Ryan, sales manager, of Detroit, gave many interesting points on the handling of Ford products, and what is coming later. (See Joe, he will tell you more.)

## Visitor from Indiana

Mrs. Hester A. Fraley, of Indianapolis, Ind., visited her son, Everett Fraley, the latter part of the week, and she, with her son and family, went to Kimbrell Sunday, where they visited the former's brother, H. K. Blanton, and sister, Mrs. Lewis. Mrs. Fraley has just recovered from a very severe spell of sickness.

## Kentucky Pays the Difference

Gasoline retails in Ohio for 25 cents per gallon. In Kentucky the wholesale price is more than 25 cents. This has been a common practice for years. Where articles are produced they are higher than after shipping them often hundreds of miles.

## Bond Fixed at \$15,000

At an examining trial before Judge Derickson Friday for the killing of Wayne Bowen at Stanton May 15th, Jesse Swango, J. P., was held to the Circuit Court under \$15,000 bond, which he gave and was released.

## A Card of Thanks

But for the heroic efforts of our splendid neighbors and friends in fighting the fire Thursday night, our building and business would today be lying in ashes and ruins as are those of our friends who sustained loss. The aid of these good people in removing the contents of our building was remarkable. Nothing was lost; nothing was broken; nothing was stolen. Not even the contents of the cash register were disturbed, though left alone and unguarded for the entire time of the fire.

These kindly acts of help, care and honesty, make us feel proud that we live in Clay City—not the largest, not the least, but really the best town on earth we know to claim as home. We are proud of our worthy neighbors; we thank everybody.

Clay City Garage,  
Clay City Times.

## Died at Louisville

Dr. Fred K. Blair died Tuesday night at a Louisville hospital and will be buried at his home at Morehead. Dr. Blair was well known in Clay City, being a brother to Mrs. A. T. Whitt, and his friends here will regret to learn of his death. Dr. Blair saw strenuous service at the front during the war and it is believed this was partly responsible for his death, as he had never fully recovered. He is survived by a wife, having married some few months ago.

## Mrs. Henry Stepp Dies

Mrs. Henry Stepp died in Dayton, Ohio, and was brought to Powell's Valley, where she was buried Saturday. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. L. F. Mann and M. C. VanCleve. Mrs. Stepp, before marriage was Miss Pearl Smethers, of Clay City. She is survived by her husband and two small children. She was 22 years old.

## Tracy Acts Promptly

The fire occurred Thursday night. Early Friday morning B. A. Tracy the insurance man, was here to make adjustment for Kimbrell's losses in whose agency Kimbrell held a policy.

## Tom Edge Has the Job

Joe McKinney is rebuilding a portion of his residence at Spout Spring. Tom Edge, assisted by Renz Patton, are doing the work in their very capable manner.

## Moving Back

The Times has been advised by Mr. W. H. Swango, of Miami, Florida, to send no papers there, that he is moving back to Stanton, Ky.

## Policeman Killed at Ravenna

Chief of Police Sexton was killed Saturday at Ravenna by ex-Chief of Police King. King was held without bail for the killing.

One of the most noteworthy features in connection with Tancac is the large number of men and women who have reported an astonishingly rapid increase in weight as a result of its use. C. Shimfessel.

Ernest Smethers is in Dayton, O., holding down a position in a planing mill there.

## \$100.00 Reward

Some unknown person made the statement last week, I have been told, that I had killed a mad cow for beef. In this connection I wish to say I have never butchered anything but the choicest young stock, and I will give One Hundred Dollars (\$100) cash to the person who has so underhandedly maligned my business if he will prove his statement. Moreover, I will give \$100 to anybody to prove that I have ever slaughtered and sold anything but choice stock and all in pink and prime of health.

John T. Wright.

## Personal Paragraphs

Sam Ringo, of Winchester, was here Saturday.

Mrs. W. J. Mountz spent Tuesday in Winchester.

Otis Easter, of Ravenna, visited friends here Sunday.

J. S. Brock, State Inspector, of Hazard, was here Friday.

Edgar Curry, of Lexington, is spending a few days with his father, J. J. Curry.

Sam Wright, of Michigan, spent the latter part of last week with his brother, C. L. Wright.

Misses Vera Eubank and Irma Russell spent the week end in Winchester visiting friends.

Eugene Freeman, of Winchester, was here Saturday shaking hands with his many friends.

Mrs. C. Bowman spent several days last week with her daughter, Mrs. E. D. Conlee, at Kiddville.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Fraley spent Sunday with Mr. Fraley's uncle, H. K. Blanton, at Kimbrell.

Mrs. L. F. Mann returned yesterday afternoon from a two days' visit with friends at Elkatawa.

Miss Lillie Burgher left Monday for Ravenna where she takes a position with the Ravenna State Bank.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Adams, of Dayton, Ohio, accompanied the remains of Mrs. Stepp here for burial.

Mrs. Ann E. Barnett, of Clark county, is spending a few days with her son, W. F. Barnett, and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Wright and son, Frank, of Bourbon county, came up Monday and returned Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Clark, of Vaughn's Mill, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Sam T. Carr, and family.

Vernon Shearer spent the latter part of last week with his sister, Mrs. Dillard Estes, on Upper Hardwick's creek.

Mrs. W. H. Conn, and son, W. H. Conn, Jr., of Wilmore, are visiting the former's daughter, Mrs. A. M. Holmes.

Mr. and Mrs. John Maxwell and two little daughters, of Rosslyn, were here Tuesday to observe Decoration Day.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Knight of Victor, above Hazard, are taking a few days vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Knight.

J. H. O'Rear and family, of Winchester, and J. C. Fitch and family, of Lexington, returned Tuesday to Clay City to observe Decoration Day.

Miss Thelma Gillis returned Saturday to her position at Jellico, Tenn., after spending several days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gillis.

Frank Daniel and family, of Lexington, spent Saturday and

## Ford Turns Out 6,000,000th Motor

Ford Motor No. 6,000,000 was lifted from the assembly line in the Highland Park Ford Plant at 9:14 a. m., May 18th. Just 54 seconds later No. 6,000,001 was finished.

The unusually heavy demand for Ford cars and trucks at the present time has necessitated the building of 5,400 motors daily. These are shipped in carload lots to the various Ford assembling plants throughout the United States.

The first model "T" Ford motor was completed on October 1st, 1908; number 1,000,000 left the assembly line December 10th, 1915; and number 5,000,000 came through May 28th, 1921.

Although the Ford Motor Company turned out a number of different models prior to 1908, the present numbering system began with the first model "T".

## A Home Affair

We sell gasoline made in Powell county which helps by county taxation to build the roads over which you travel daily. This gasoline is dispensed from a pump made in Kentucky which helps to pay State tax to build the State aid road over which you also travel. Buy the best gasoline at Clay City Garage and help those who are helping you in your own county and State.

## Good Help in Summer

Indigestion causes worry, nervousness, sick headache, biliousness, coated tongue, bad breath, bloating, gas, constipation and constant distress. Henry C. Thorne 1002 Harrison Ave., Boston, Mass. writes: "Since taking Foley Cathartic Tablets I feel fine." Cleanse bowels; sweeten stomach, invigorate liver. Sherman Robbins & Sons, local dealers.

Sunday with relatives in Clay City and attended Decoration on Hardwick's creek.

Elder L. F. Martin, of Old Landing, was a visitor here Friday. Bro. Martin is doing a wonderful work as field manager of the Mountain Christian League.

Mrs. T. B. Ballard, of Lexington, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. D. Adams. She accompanied her granddaughter, Miss Bernice Adams, home. Mrs. Ballard will be here several days.

Jack Conn, of Cincinnati, came over Sunday on the excursion to visit relatives and look after his farming interests. Mrs. Conn, who had been here for the past two weeks, returned with him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Potts, of Dayton, O., were here Saturday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Henry Stepp. They remained here over Tuesday to observe Decoration Day and visited relatives and old friends.

Grant Lowe, of Middletown, O., was here yesterday the guest of his sister, Mrs. P. B. Kirk. Mr. Lowe has been at the Jackson hospital under treatment for his eyes. He is very much improved and is now on his way home.